

**Appln. No. 10/815,956**  
**Amdt. dated April 29, 2005**  
**Preliminary Amendment**

a definition of a time-dependent property; and  
a definition of time-dependent operations configured to respond to input property values  
for said time-dependent properties to produce a time-series of output values.

90. (New): The carrier medium of claim 89, wherein said carrier medium is a computer  
readable storage medium.

91. (New): The carrier medium of claim 89, wherein said carrier medium is a  
telecommunications medium.

**REMARKS**

Preliminary amendment of the above-identified application is requested.


Claim 1 is cancelled. Claims 2 through 80 were cancelled previously. Claims 81 through  
91 are added.

The applicant claims priority to U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/182/101 filed  
on October 27, 1998, now U.S. Patent Number 6,360,188.

Favorable consideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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